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Dear Dr. Henney:

I have been hearing a lot lately about the increase in antibiotic-resistant bacteria, the most frightening of which are those resistant to Vancomycin, one of the most powerful antibiotics used to treat infections in humans. One of the biggest problems we face is the use of antibiotics in livestock production which can then transfer the antibiotic resistance to people through the food system.

As the Food and Drug Administration considers new guidelines for livestock antibiotics, I urge you to do all in your power to deny the use in animals of any antibiotics which are used to treat human infections.

Sincerely,

*Janet Hopkins*

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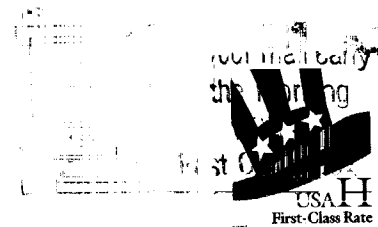
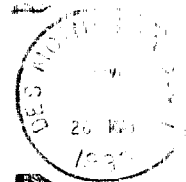
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